

Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize BluMine Health, LLC of Louisville, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Headquartered in Louisville, KY, BluMine Health began operations 6 years ago as Alternative Health Solutions. Led by Michael Dees, BluMine Health was established to meet a demand for individualized, easily accessible medical care. Through its direct primary care—DPC—model, BluMine Health provides local businesses with affordable healthcare services. As an alternative to fee-for-service insurance billing, BluMine Health's DPC charges employers a flat monthly per-employee fee. This fee covers primary care services, including clinical and laboratory services, consultative services, and comprehensive care management. DPC allows family physicians to care for the whole person, reducing the overhead and negative incentives associated with fee-for-service third-party-payer billing. Through onsite care clinics and shared on-site care centers, BluMine Health provides a practical alternative to the third-party insurance coverage system.

Today, BluMine Health has become a regional leader in direct primary care. They continue serving communities across Kentucky, with locations in Brandenburg, Lexington, Madisonville, Elizabethtown, Somerset, Richmond, Shelbyville, Shepherdsville, and Dunnville. BluMine Health provides care to dozens of clients, covering 20,000 individuals and their families. Since 2019, BluMine Health has partnered with Baptist Health, the leading healthcare provider in Kentucky and southern Indiana, to provide additional services such as hospital care and physical therapy to its clients. BluMine Health is expanding its services throughout the Ohio River Valley, establishing a clinic in Jeffersonville, IN, and announcing an expansion into Ohio in August 2021.

Like many small businesses, BluMine Health is active in its community. Locally, BluMine Health regularly supports nonprofit organizations and sponsors charity events, such as the Kentucky Harvest fifth annual golf tournament. They are actively involved with industry and business organizations, including the chamber of commerce and the Health Enterprise Network, Louisville's regional healthcare business network. As a healthcare provider, BluMine Health stepped up to meet the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. They continued to offer in-person care and adapted to provide telemedicine service, with telehealth appointments surpassing 40 percent of their medical delivery. Through their partnership with Baptist Health, BluMine Health provided a COVID-19 workplace reopening service, enabling local businesses to create and maintain healthy workplaces as lockdowns lifted.

BluMine Health, LLC is a notable example of the critical role that small, community-oriented healthcare providers play in their communities. Local medical practices like BluMine Health form the heart of towns across Kentucky, regularly stepping up to support their communities in times of crisis. Congratulations to Michael and the entire team at BluMine Health, LLC. I wish them the best of luck and look forward to watching their continued growth and success in Kentucky and beyond.●

RECOGNIZING DAN-O'S SEASONING

● Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize a family-owned small business and Louisville staple, Dan-O's Seasoning of Louisville, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Like many college students, Dan Oliver knew nothing about cooking. One day, while seasoning chicken, he threw together some spices and cooked the best chicken he had ever had. That spice blend planted the seeds for what would become Dan-O's Seasoning. Over the next 15 years, whenever he cooked for friends and family, Dan used his original spice recipe. After a career in the professional sector, Dan joined the restaurant industry as a cook and bartender. Dan, an aspiring entrepreneur, used his passion for cooking to develop what he called his "million-dollar idea:" selling his signature seasoning mix. Two years—and nearly 200 modifications later—Dan-O's Seasoning launched in 2017.

Today, Dan-O's Seasoning is a thriving company selling products nationwide. The business is based in Louisville, where Dan and his team prepare and package the product. Initially, Dan traveled across Kentucky selling his seasoning at trade shows and flea markets. The low-sodium, sugar-free, 100-percent natural seasoning was a hit, with sales doubling every year. Dan-O's Seasoning was soon available at Louisville-area stores and online. Like many small business owners, Dan adapted to overcome the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. With the trade show circuit closed, he turned to social media to keep his business afloat. After a video clip went viral on TikTok, a video creating and sharing platform, Dan-O's gained thousands of new customers and increased its sales more than tenfold. Their success was profiled in several local and national outlets, including WDRB, the Louisville Courier-Journal, Louisville Business Journal, and BuzzFeed. And in March 2021, Dan-O's exponential growth led to their products being sold at Kroger's, a regional supermarket chain located in the Midwest and South.

Like many small business owners, Dan is actively involved in his commu-

nity. Locally, Dan-O's Seasoning regularly supports community organizations, including the Louisville V.F.W. Post 6182, the Permanently Disabled Jockey Fund, and the Boone County Cancer Society. When the company hosts events, like its annual cornhole tournament, they prioritize working with local small businesses. Notably Dan-O's Seasoning sponsors several athletes, including NASCAR drivers, dirt-track racers, tournament fishers, cornhole players, and NCAA athletes. In June 2021, Dan earned the Silver Fleur-De-Lis Award from the Greater Louisville, Inc. Metro Chamber of Commerce, recognizing his company's exponential growth and innovative marketing tactics.

Dan-O's Seasoning is a remarkable example of how hard work, ingenuity, and discipline can turn a dream into reality. Small businesses like Dan-O's Seasoning form the heart of towns across Kentucky, regularly stepping up to support their communities. Congratulations to Dan and the entire team at Dan-O's Seasoning. I wish them the best of luck and look forward to watching their continued growth and success in Kentucky and beyond.●

TRIBUTE TO DAVE HUTTON

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I have the distinct honor of recognizing Dave Hutton of Flathead County as Montanan of the Month for his dedication to serving the Kalispell community as a parking officer.

Dave brings a positive and upbeat attitude to one of the most thankless jobs in the Flathead Valley. Whether it is a sweltering July day or a snowy December morning, Patrolman Dave greets every Montanan he meets with a smile.

It is the simple things that make Dave a model Montanan. Locals have seen him stop in roadways to protect pedestrians from oncoming traffic, and he is often spotted chatting with local shop owners who are always excited to see a friendly face.

One early June morning, Dave was rounding a corner on Main Street and noticed a line of debris littering the street and blocking the sidewalk. Unbeknownst to him, the night before, a reckless drunk driver had driven off the road damaging thousands of dollars in property. Instead of ignoring the mess, Dave took the initiative to stop and clean up the area.

This silent service to the community was just one of many in his tenure. Through his kindness and positivity, Patrolman Dave has made a lasting impression on the citizens who live, work, and shop in Kalispell.

It is my honor to recognize Dave for his dedication to the Kalispell community and for doing the small, silent acts of service that are often forgotten. Keep up the great work, Dave.●

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER
COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2054. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for the Current Fiscal Year"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; Joint Committee on Taxation; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2055. A communication from the Assistant Director of Congressional Affairs, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the first semi-annual report of fiscal year 2020 of the Department of Justice's Office of Privacy and Civil Liberties; to the Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; and the Judiciary.

EC-2056. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Acquisition Security Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Security Council Rule" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 13, 2021; to the Committees on Appropriations; Armed Services; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; and Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-76. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska urging the United States Air Force to reestablish the United States Space Command headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base near Omaha, Nebraska; to the Committee on Armed Services.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION NO. 1

Whereas, the Department of Defense recently reestablished the United States Space Command as the eleventh unified combatant command of the Armed Forces; and

Whereas, the United States Air Force requested that state and community leaders nominate military locations to host the United States Space Command headquarters; and

Whereas, the city of Bellevue, Nebraska, on behalf of community, state, and regional leaders and officials and in conjunction with support from local military leaders, nominated Offutt Air Force Base to be the location for the United States Space Command headquarters; and

Whereas, Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts endorsed the application recommending Offutt Air Force Base for the honor of becoming the permanent host for the United States Space Command headquarters; and

Whereas, Offutt Air Force Base and the neighbouring Bellevue and Omaha commu-

nities received top scores on the basing criteria established by the United States Air Force including: proximity to mutually supporting space entities; an available qualified workforce; infrastructure and facility capacity; high bandwidth communications infrastructure; enhanced security; energy resilience; cost efficiencies; and community support; and

Whereas, Offutt Air Force Base is among six sites being considered by the Air Force to host the United States Space Command headquarters; and

Whereas, Offutt Air Force Base is the home for global missions of national consequence, the joint, interagency, coalition, Guard, and Reserve presence would complement the needs of the United States Space Command; and

Whereas, several Offutt Air Force Base units of interest include the 55th Wing, which provides dominant worldwide reconnaissance, real-time intelligence, command and control, and information warfare; the 595th Command and Control Group supporting strategic nuclear deterrence; the Air Force's only weather wing; and the newly formed Marine Corps Forces Space Command; and

Whereas, the largest tenant on Offutt Air Force Base is a global warfighting combatant command, the United States Strategic Command, which has a mission set that combines the United States legacy nuclear command and control mission with responsibility for space operations, global strike, and global missile defense to deter strategic attacks and employ forces, as directed, to guarantee the security of our nation and our allies; and

Whereas, the United States Strategic Command oversees and manages the Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications Enterprise Center; and the United States Space Command is a key member of the Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications Enterprise Stakeholder Council; and

Whereas, for seventeen years, from 2002 to 2019, America's military space mission headquartered at Offutt Air Force Base as part of the United States Strategic Command mission set; and

Whereas, the history of hosting the United States Strategic Command and units that mutually support joint combatant commands serves as an excellent foundation for Offutt Air Force Base to create additional synergies and efficiencies; and

Whereas, community support for military missions; the military men, women, and families living and working at Offutt Air Force Base; and veterans living in the surrounding communities began in the 1940s and support for these groups remains unsurpassed to this day; and

Whereas, creative public-private partnerships executed in the Omaha metropolitan area by economic leaders are some of the largest and most relationship with the Department of Defense's Military Community and Family Policy office in a constant effort to create laws that support the military personnel stationed at Offutt Air Force Base and their families; and

Whereas, the Bellevue and Omaha communities would welcome the additional military and civilian personnel, contractors, and families associated with the United States Space Command; and

Whereas, basing the headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base would enhance the economy of the region by adding approximately one thousand four hundred new jobs; and

Whereas, reestablishing the United States Space Command headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base would require military construction improvements, which would create construction and other support jobs, further in-

creasing the economic benefit to the region; and

Whereas, there is widespread bipartisan support for hosting the United States Space Command Headquarters from federal, state, and community leaders who recognize the importance of returning the space mission to Offutt Air Force Base; and

Whereas, the space mission is vital to our Nation's security, prosperity, and scientific advancement; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the members of the One Hundred Seventh Legislature of Nebraska, First Session:

1. That the Nebraska Legislature does hereby express enthusiastic support for the United States Air Force to reestablish the United States Space Command headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base near Omaha, Nebraska.

2. That the Clerk of the Legislature prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States as the presiding officer of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, each member of Nebraska's congressional delegation, the Secretary of the Air Force, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Secretary of Defense.

POM-77. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska urging the federal government to adopt the SAFE Banking Act of 2019, sec. 110606 of the Heroes Act, or similar legislation relating to cannabis-related legitimate businesses' access to financial services; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Whereas, on November 4, 2014, residents of the state voted to legalize cannabis, approving Ballot Measure No. 2, "An Act to tax and regulate the production, sale, and use of marijuana"; and

Whereas the state has prioritized the federal cannabis enforcement objectives identified in the August 29, 2013, memorandum from the United States Department of Justice to all United States Attorneys, including preventing the distribution of cannabis to minors, preventing revenue from the sale of cannabis from going to criminal enterprises, gangs, and cartels, preventing the diversion of cannabis from states where cannabis is legal in some form under state law to other states, preventing state-authorized cannabis activity from being used as a pretext for the trafficking of illegal drugs or other illegal activity, preventing violence and the use of firearms in the cultivation and distribution of cannabis, preventing drugged driving and the exacerbation of other adverse public health consequences associated with cannabis use, preventing the growing of cannabis on public land and the attendant public safety and environmental dangers posed by cannabis production on public land, and preventing cannabis possession or use on federal property; and

Whereas the state has implemented regulations that respect and support the federal priorities listed in the August 29, 2013, memorandum from the United States Department of Justice; and

Whereas, on January 16, 2018, Alaska Attorney General Jahnna Lindemuth and the attorneys general of 18 other states, districts, and territories sent a letter urging the United States Congress to advance legislation allowing states that have legalized medical or recreational use of cannabis to bring legal cannabis-related commerce into the banking system; and

Whereas, on January 18, 2018, United States Senators Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan joined 14 other senators from around the country in submitting a letter to